

HARFORD COUNTY

County Seat: Bel Air 21014

Area: 475 sq. miles

Origin and Name of the County:

Named for Henry Harford, last Proprietary. He was a son of Frederick, Sixth Lord Baltimore, but because of his illegitimate birth did not inherit the title. The County was erected by Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1773.

Population, 1970:

Harford County	115,378
Dist. 1, Abingdon	27,977
Dist. 2, Halls Cross Roads	29,450
Dist. 3, Bel Air	30,803
Dist. 4, Marshall	8,380
Dist. 5, Dublin	8,977
Dist. 6, Havre de Grace	9,791

Estimated Population, 1976: 134,200

Court Terms:

Circuit Court — Jury, first Monday in May and November (optional with Court).

Orphans' Court Days — Every Tuesday.

Courthouse Information Number: 838-6000

JUDICIAL OFFICERS*Resident Judges, Circuit Court*

Brodnax Cameron, Jr.	1978
Albert P. Close	1983
Edward D. Higinbotham	1991

Judges, District Court

Charles J. Kelly	1981
Harry St. A. O'Neill	1981
Edward Utz, Administrative Clerk	

Clerk, Circuit Court

H. Douglas Chilcoat	1978
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State's Attorney

Edwin H. W. Harlan, Jr.	1978
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Sheriff

William J. Kunkel	1978
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Register of Wills

Janet G. Marshall	1978
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*Special Master in Equity*⁹⁵

Lynn D. Tanner, Jr.	
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*Public Defender*⁹⁶

Henry C. Engel, Jr.	
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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS**EXECUTIVE***County Executive*

Charles B. Anderson, Jr.	1978
Violet J. Chell, Executive Secretary	

LEGISLATIVE*County Council*

Habern W. Freeman, Jr., President	1978
Roland N. Shumate, District A	1978
Edward G. Rahlh, Jr., District B	1978
John W. Schafer, District C	1978
Lehman W. Spry, District D	1978
William Cooper, Jr., District E	1978
Fred B. Baldwin, Sr., District F	1978
Angela Markowski, Secretary	

*County Auditor*⁹⁷

Paul Neeper	
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ADMINISTRATION*Director of Administration*

William O. Whiteford	
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LAW*County Attorney*

John E. Kelly	
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FINANCE*Treasurer*⁹⁸

Roger C. Niles	
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Supervisor of Assessments

John Sullivan	
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*Property Tax Assessments**Appeal Board*

Lewis W. Dean, Chairman	1979
John M. Harris, Sr.	1977
Norma Reeves	1978

ELECTIONS*Board of Supervisors of Elections*

James Schultz	1977
Benjamin W. Towner	1977
H. Sheridan Nagle	1977

PUBLIC SAFETY*Director of Civil Defense*

Paul H. Seward	
Robert O. Shackelford, Alternate	

Deputy Medical Examiner

Luis E. Renjel, M.D., Acting Chief Medical Examiner	
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Central Alarm

William Benjamin, Jr., President	
Charles Carroll, Chief Operator	

*Police Commission*⁹⁹

George B. Adams	
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⁹⁵ Appointed by the Judges of the Circuit Court for Harford County (Ch. 101, Acts of 1971).

⁹⁶ Appointed by the Judges of the Circuit Court for Harford County (Ch. 623, Acts of 1966).

⁹⁷ Appointed by the County Council (Harford County Charter, sec. 213).

⁹⁸ In Harford County only, among all the charter counties of Maryland, the Director of Finance is known as the Treasurer.

⁹⁹ Consists of 3 members originally appointed by the Board of County Commissioners for 4-year terms (Ch. 25, Acts of 1967). Members are now appointed by the County Executive subject to Council confirmation.